

## **AWOC Severe Track 2013**

**Warning Decision Training Branch** 

Severe Track	Change Information				
Module	Summary of Changes	Recommended Learning Plan	Target Audience	Module Notes:	
IC Severe 1: Conceptual Models for Origins and Evolutions of Convective Storms:	50% updated graphics, all new recordings, updated SCORM tests	WDTB AWOC Severe Full FY13	DLOC Graduates 2012-13 (and those severe weather forecasting and warning meteorologists needing training on latest conceptual models of storms and associated hazards)	Duration of IC 1= 3 hrs	
Lesson 1 Supercells	Added new science from Vortex 2 of role of vortex arches and RFD surges in tornadogenesis	WDTB AWOC Severe Full FY13	DLOC Graduates 2012-13 (and those severe weather forecasting and warning meteorologists needing training on latest conceptual models of tornadogenesis)	Additions provided by Les Lemon, Brad Grant	
Lesson 2 Hail Storms	Redesigned with similar content from last publishing in 2009; Added SHIP hail forecasting parameter	WDTB AWOC Severe Full FY13	DLOC Graduates 2012-13 (and those needing training on latest conceptual models of hailstorms)	Updates provided by Robert Prentice  Radar identification of hail is covered in DLOC Topic 7, Lesson 6: Severe Hail Detection	
Lesson 3 Flash Flooding	Redesigned with focus on synoptic scale patterns and met ingredients associated with heavy rainfall and flash flood events. Plus, module discusses the trends and biases of quantitative precipitation forecasts and their role in heavy rainfall forecasting.	WDTB AWOC Severe Full FY13; WDTB AWOC FF Track FY13	DLOC Graduates 2012-13 (and those needing training on latest conceptual models of flash flood producing storms	Updates provided by Steve Martinaitis	
IC Severe 2: Threat Assessment	Redesigned to focus on typical job tasks of the meso-analyst (0-6 hr) time frame	WDTB AWOC Severe Full FY13	DLOC Graduates 2012-13 (and those needing training on mesoanalysis duties)	Updates provided by Chris Spannagle and Robert Prentice. IC Duration = 2.5 hrs	
Lesson 1 Lifting Mechanisms	New graphics, recordings, case studies	WDTB AWOC Severe Full FY13	DLOC Graduates 2012-13 (and those needing training on mesoanalysis duties)		
Lesson 2 Short-term Assessment	New graphics. Recordings, case studies	WDTB AWOC Severe Full FY13	DLOC Graduates 2012-13 (and those needing training on mesoanalysis duties)		
Lesson 3 Threat Assessment of QLCS	No major changes since 2009 publishing	WDTB AWOC Severe Full FY13, WDTB Derecho FY13	DLOC Graduates 2012-13 (and those needing training on recognizing high-end QLCS environment		
IC Severe 3: Storm Interrogation	New Module on Tornado Warning Guidance; significant content moved to <u>DLOC</u> <u>Topic 7</u>	WDTB AWOC Severe Full FY13	DLOC Graduates 2012-13 (and those needing training on strategies for interpreting stormscale signatures for assessing severe threats and impacts)	Updates provided by Jim LaDue IC Duration = 3 hrs (approx.)	
IC Severe 3: Locating Updrafts	No changes	WDTB AWOC Severe Full FY13	DLOC Graduates 2012-13 (and those needing training on strategies for interpreting stormscale signatures for assessing severe threats and impacts)		
IC Severe 3: Updraft Strength	No changes	WDTB AWOC Severe Full FY13	DLOC Graduates 2012-13 (and those needing training on strategies for interpreting stormscale signatures for assessing severe threats and impacts)		

IC Severe 3:	3 modules	WDTB AWOC	DLOC Graduates 2012-13	
Tornadogenesis	(2 new)	Severe Full FY13	(and those needing training on strategies for interpreting storm- scale signatures for assessing severe threats and impacts)	
Tornado Warning Guidance	New for 2012	WDTB AWOC Severe Full FY13	DLOC Graduates 2012-13 (and those needing training on strategies for operational decision	Updates provided by Jim LaDue and Les Lemon
Supercell Collapse Phase	No changes since 2011	WDTB AWOC Severe Full FY13	making for assessing tornado intensity based on radar signatures)	
Storm Interrogation Strategies of QLCs Mesovortices	No changes since 2009	WDTB AWOC Severe Full FY13; WDTB Derecho FY13	DLOC Graduates 2012-13 (and those needing training on strategies for operational decision making for assessing QLCS mesovortex signatures)	
Warning Decision Making Issues with Derecho Producing QLCS Events	New	WDTB Derecho FY13	Those warning mets needing training on warning techniques and strategies for identifying derecho producing QLCS impacts.	Based on Historic Derecho of June 29, 2012 Service Assessment (Duration: 1 hr)
Forecast Challenge		WDTB AWOC Severe Full FY13	DLOC Graduates 2012-13	Fully automated; runs from April - June
Warning Scenario Instructor-Led Training	New for 2012	WDTB AWOC Severe Full FY13	DLOC Graduates 2012-13	Focuses on advanced warning decision making scenarios
WES Simulations	Four new developed for 2012	WDTB AWOC Severe Full FY13; WDTB AWOC FF Track FY13	DLOC Graduates 2012-13	Uses Dual-Pol products; GOES-R Product evaluation; Hydro Track uses Duluth, MN June 19, 2012 flood event